

Seattle Department of Transportation

SDOT Street Use Permit combined with DPD Side Sewer Permit

- 1. Right-of-way usage charges: An SDOT permit fee of \$165 will be collected by DPD on behalf of SDOT for every side sewer permit with activity in the right-of-way, unless the applicant affirms that they will NOT be opening the right-of-way, and NOT be crossing the curb with equipment, or staging equipment, materials or spoils in the right-of-way. This fee includes up to 1 (one) hour of inspection time.
- 2. Authorized activities under SDOT permit: The permitee is authorized to use the right-of-way for staging equipment and materials and to cross the curb with equipment. Registered Side Sewer Contractors (RSSC) are additionally authorized to open the pavement in the right-of-way to perform side sewer related construction activities.
- 3. Start of work notification: Call (206) 684-5270 and notify SDOT at least 24 hours prior to beginning work if you are excavating in the right-of-way, staging materials in the right-of-way, or crossing the curb with equipment. You may start work without a Street Use Inspector present. A Street Use Inspector will visit your work site after you begin work. You do not need to be present when the Inspector visits your site. If an emergency or other circumstance prevented advance notification, call SDOT and inform them of the situation. SDOT may ask you to communicate directly with the Street Use Inspector assigned to your work site location prior to starting work.
- **4. Traffic control plans:** RSSC doing excavation work in arterial rights-of-way must be in compliance with a SDOT approved traffic control plan. Contact SDOT for more information about standard plans.
- 5. Duration of work: Work involving the use of the street right-of-way NOT completed within ten (10) calendar days from start of work may be subject to additional permitting requirements. Consult your Street Use Inspector or SDOT if you need to extend the right-of-way use permit beyond this time period.
- **6. Inspection charges:** Inspection time in excess of one hour will be billed to the permittee. Additional charges are not expected unless there is a failure to pay the fee when using the right-of-way, failure to maintain the public area in a safe condition and /or work does not progress in a timely manner.
- **7. Penalties:** A fee of \$135, in addition to the \$165 permit fee, will be charged if you are using the right-of-way as described above without having a right-of-way use permit. To avoid this added fee, immediately contact SDOT for the proper permit if you discover you need to use the right-of-way after starting the side sewer job.